

Properties of Independently Axiomatizable Bimodal Logics

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1 Introduction

In mono-modal logic there is a fair number of high-powered results on completeness covering large classes of modal systems, witness for example Fine [74,85] and Sahlqvist [75]. Mono-modal logic is therefore a well-understood subject in contrast to poly-modal logic where even the most elementary questions concerning completeness, decidability etc. have been left unanswered. Given that so many applications of modal logic one modality is not sufficient, the lack of general results is acutely felt by the “users” of modal logics, contrary to logicians who might entertain the view that a deep understanding of modality alone provides enough insight to be able to generalize the results to logics with several modalities. Although this view has its justification, the main results we are going to prove are certainly not of this type, for they require a fundamentally new technique. The results obtained are called transfer theorems in Fine and Schurz [91] and are of the following type. Let $L \not\equiv \perp$ be an independently axiomatizable bimodal logic and L_{\square} as well as L_{\blacksquare} its mono-modal fragments. Then L has a property P iff L_{\square} and L_{\blacksquare} have P . Properties which will be discussed are completeness, finite model property, compactness, persistence, interpolation and Halldén-completeness. In our discussion we will show transfer theorems for the most simple case when there are just two modal operators but it will be clear that the proof works in the general case as well.

2 Preliminaries

Let $\mathcal{L}_{\square\blacksquare}$ be the language of bimodal logics with denumerably infinite propositional variables denoted by lower case Roman letters p, q, \dots and the primitive connectives $\wedge, \neg, \square, \blacksquare$.

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For a set V of variables, $\mathcal{L}_{\square\blacksquare}(V)$ is the sublanguage of formulae with variables from V . By \mathcal{L}_{\square} we denote the fragment of \blacksquare -free formulae, by $\mathcal{L}_{\blacksquare}$ the fragment of \square -free formulae. A set $L \subseteq \mathcal{L}_{\square\blacksquare}$ is called a **normal (bimodal) logic** if L contains the axioms of classical logic, $BD^{\square} : \square(p \rightarrow q). \rightarrow .\square p \rightarrow \square q$ and $BD^{\blacksquare} : \blacksquare(p \rightarrow q). \rightarrow .\blacksquare p \rightarrow \blacksquare q$ and which is closed under substitution, MP and $MN^{\square} : p/\square p$, $MN^{\blacksquare} : p/\blacksquare p$. The minimal normal bimodal logic is denoted by $\mathbf{K}_{\square\blacksquare}$. If L is a normal bimodal logic then $L_{\square} := L \cap \mathcal{L}_{\square}$ and $L_{\blacksquare} := L \cap \mathcal{L}_{\blacksquare}$ are normal mono-modal logics. Conversely, given two mono-modal logics M, N we can form the **fusion** $M \otimes N$ which is the least bimodal logic containing both M and N where the modal operator of M is translated as \square and the operator of N by \blacksquare . If $L = L_{\square} \otimes L_{\blacksquare}$ we call L **independently axiomatizable**. Formally, there is a difference between $M \otimes N$ and $N \otimes M$, but exchanging \square and \blacksquare induces an isomorphism from $M \otimes N$ to $N \otimes M$. We stress this point because there will quite often meet the situation that two statements are exactly the same if we exchange the modalities in one of the statements; we then say that one statement is the **dual** of the other. Given a bimodal logic L we write $\Phi \vdash_{\square\blacksquare} \phi$ if ϕ can be deduced from Φ and the theorems of L using Modus Ponens and the rules $\Phi \vdash_{\square\blacksquare} \phi \Rightarrow \square\Phi \vdash_{\square\blacksquare} \square\phi$, $\Phi \vdash_{\square\blacksquare} \phi \Rightarrow \blacksquare\Phi \vdash_{\square\blacksquare} \blacksquare\phi$. We write $\Phi \vdash_{\square} \phi$ if ϕ can be deduced from Φ and the axioms of L_{\square} using only Modus Ponens and the rule $\Phi \vdash_{\square} \phi \Rightarrow \square\Phi \vdash_{\square} \square\phi$. And likewise for the dual case.

Given a formula $\phi \in \mathcal{L}_{\square\blacksquare}$ we denote the set of subformulae of ϕ by $sf(\phi)$ and the set of variables by $var(\phi)$. The **modal degree** $dg(\phi)$ of ϕ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} dg(p) &= 0 \\ dg(\neg\phi) &= dg(\phi) \\ dg(\phi \wedge \psi) &= \max\{dg(\phi), dg(\psi)\} \\ dg(\square\phi) &= dg(\phi) + 1 \\ dg(\blacksquare\phi) &= dg(\phi) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

The \square -degree $dg^{\square}(\phi)$ of ϕ is defined similarly with the exception that $dg^{\square}(\blacksquare\phi) = dg^{\square}(\phi)$, i.e. occurrences of \blacksquare are not counted. With an analogous definition for $dg^{\blacksquare}(\phi)$ we then have $dg(\phi) \leq dg^{\square}(\phi) + dg^{\blacksquare}(\phi)$. (Equality need not hold, e.g. $\square\square\blacksquare p \vee \blacksquare\blacksquare\square p$.) Suitable structures for interpreting $\mathcal{L}_{\square\blacksquare}$ are **bimodal algebras**, which are triples $\langle \mathbf{B}, \square, \blacksquare \rangle$ such that $\langle \mathbf{B}, \square \rangle$ and $\langle \mathbf{B}, \blacksquare \rangle$ are modal algebras, that is, boolean algebras $\langle B, \setminus, \cap \rangle$ with an operator \square satisfying $\square 1 = 1$ and $\square(a \cap b) = \square a \cap \square b$. By standard representation theorems (Jónsson and Tarski [51]) bimodal algebras can be represented by **generalized frames** $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ where g is a set (e.g. the set of ultrafilters of \mathbf{B}), $\triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft$ binary relations on g and $\mathbb{G} \subseteq 2^g$ a system of sets closed under complementation, intersection and

$$\begin{aligned} \square A &:= \{s \mid \forall t (s \triangleleft t \rightarrow t \in A)\} \\ \blacksquare A &:= \{s \mid \forall t (s \blacktriangleleft t \rightarrow t \in A)\} \end{aligned}$$

If $\mathbb{G} = 2^g$ we write $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle$ instead of $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ and call $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle$ a **(bimodal) frame**. A **valuation** on $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ is a map $\beta : V \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$ for a set V of variables. The pair $\langle \langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle, \beta \rangle$ is called a **model**. β extends to a homomorphism $\bar{\beta} : \mathcal{L}_{\square\blacksquare}(V) \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{G}, \setminus, \cap, \square, \blacksquare \rangle$. We write $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle, \beta, s \models \phi$ for $s \in \bar{\beta}(\phi)$ and say that ϕ is true at s in

that model and we write $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle, \beta \models \phi$ for $g = \overline{\beta}(\phi)$. If for every valuation defined on $\text{var}(\phi)$ $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle, \beta \models \phi$ we say that the frame **validates** ϕ and write $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models \phi$. In a frame $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle$ we denote by $\text{Tr}^\square(x, g)$ the set as well as the subframe generated by x in g following only the \triangleleft -relation.

3 Some Useful Constructions

Let \mathcal{EL} denote the lattice of extensions of a modal logic. We have defined an operation $- \otimes - : (\mathcal{EK})^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{EK}_{\square\blacksquare}$. \otimes is a \sqcup -homomorphism in both arguments. There are certain easy properties of this map which are noteworthy. Fixing the second argument we can study the map $- \otimes M : \mathcal{EK} \rightarrow \mathcal{EK}_{\square\blacksquare}$. This is a \sqcup -homomorphism. The map $-_{\square} : \mathcal{EK}_{\square\blacksquare} \rightarrow \mathcal{EK} : L \mapsto L_{\square}$ will be shown to almost be the inverse of $- \otimes M$. First, if L is a normal modal logic then $(L \otimes M)_{\square} \supseteq L$. Similarly, for a normal bimodal logic L , $L_{\square} \otimes L_{\blacksquare} \subseteq L$. For $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L$ implies $\langle g, \triangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L_{\square}$ and $\langle g, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L_{\blacksquare}$. This implies in turn that $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L_{\square} \otimes L_{\blacksquare}$. Consequently, if L is independently axiomatizable then $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ is a general L -frame iff $\langle g, \triangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ is a general L_{\square} -frame and $\langle g, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ is a general L_{\blacksquare} -frame.

Theorem 1 (Thomason) $(L \otimes M)_{\square} = L$ iff $\perp \notin M$ or $\perp \in L$.

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose $\perp \in M$ and $\perp \notin L$. Then $\perp \in L \otimes M$ and hence $\perp \in (L \otimes M)_{\square}$, so that $L \neq (L \otimes M)_{\square}$.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose $\perp \in L$. Then $\perp \in L \otimes M$ and so $\perp \in (L \otimes M)_{\square}$ from which $L = (L \otimes M)_{\square}$. Now suppose $\perp \notin L$. Then $\perp \notin M$ and by a result of Makinson [71] either $\boxed{\bullet} \models M$ or $\boxed{\times} \models M$. Let $\mathcal{G} = \langle g, \triangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ be an L -frame. Then define $\mathcal{G}^{\times} = \langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ by $\blacktriangleleft := \emptyset$ and $\mathcal{G}^{\bullet} = \langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ by letting $\blacktriangleleft := \{ \langle x, x \rangle \mid x \in g \}$. It is readily checked that $\blacksquare a = 1$ in \mathcal{G}^{\times} and $\blacksquare a = a$ in \mathcal{G}^{\bullet} so that both are in fact general frames. If $\boxed{\times} \models M$ then \mathcal{G}^{\times} is a $L \otimes M$ -frame and if $\boxed{\bullet} \models M$ then \mathcal{G}^{\bullet} is a $L \otimes M$ -frame. For $\phi \in \mathcal{L}_{\square}$ $\mathcal{G} \models \phi \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{G}^{\times} \models \phi \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{G}^{\bullet} \models \phi$. Thus $(L \otimes M)_{\square} \subseteq L$ and therefore $(L \otimes M)_{\square} = L$. \dashv

This theorem is proved algebraically in Thomason [80]; a syntactic proof is given in Fine and Schurz [91]. The theorem states that if $\perp \in L$ or $\top \notin M$ then $L \otimes M$ is a *conservative* extension of L . Thus given two logics L, M we have both $L = (L \otimes M)_{\square}$ and $M = (L \otimes M)_{\blacksquare}$ iff $\perp \in L \Leftrightarrow \perp \in M$. In all the theorems that will follow we will therefore simply exclude the case that $\perp \in L$ or $\perp \in M$ which are trivial anyway. The way in which we used Makinson's theorem to build a minimal extension of a mono-modal frame to a bimodal frame is worth remembering. It will occur quite often later on. Although Makinson's theorem has no analogue for bimodal logics as there are infinitely many maximal consistent bimodal logics, at least for independently axiomatizable logics the following holds.

Corollary 2 *Suppose that L is a consistent independently axiomatizable bimodal logic. Then there is an L -frame based on one point.* \dashv

Another immediate consequence concerns finite axiomatizability, or f.a., for short. A logic L is **finitely axiomatizable** if there is a finite set X such that $L = \mathbf{K}(X)$.

Theorem 3 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$. Then $L \otimes M$ is finitely axiomatizable iff both L and M are.*

Proof. Only the direction from left to right is not straightforward. Assume therefore that $L \otimes M$ is f.a., say $L \otimes M = \mathbf{K}_{\square \blacksquare}(Z)$. If $L = \mathbf{K}_{\square}(X), M = \mathbf{K}_{\blacksquare}(Y)$ then $Z \subseteq \mathbf{K}_{\square \blacksquare}(X \cup Y)$ and by Compactness Theorem we have finite sets $X_0 \subseteq X, Y_0 \subseteq Y$ such that $Z \subseteq \mathbf{K}_{\square \blacksquare}(X_0 \cup Y_0)$. But then $L \otimes M = \mathbf{K}_{\square \blacksquare}(X_0 \cup Y_0) = \mathbf{K}_{\square}(X_0) \otimes \mathbf{K}_{\blacksquare}(Y_0)$ and hence $L = \mathbf{K}_{\square}(X_0)$ and $M = \mathbf{K}_{\blacksquare}(Y_0)$. \dashv

4 Persistence is Invariant under Fusion

Given a class \mathcal{X} of bimodal general frames and a bimodal logic L we say that L is \mathcal{X} -**persistent** if for all $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \in \mathcal{X}$ $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L$ implies $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle \models L$. A welcome property of persistence is that it is preserved by infinite joins. For suppose that $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models \bigsqcup \langle L_i | i \in I \rangle$. Then $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L_i$ for every $i \in I$ from which $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle \models L_i$ for every $i \in I$, since the L_i are \mathcal{X} -persistent; therefore $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle \models \bigsqcup \langle L_i | i \in I \rangle$. Now if \mathcal{X} is a class of general bimodal frames, put $\mathcal{X}_{\square} := \{\langle g, \triangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle | \langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \in \mathcal{X}\}$ and $\mathcal{X}_{\blacksquare} := \{\langle g, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle | \langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \in \mathcal{X}\}$. Then if L_{\square} is \mathcal{X}_{\square} -persistent and L_{\blacksquare} is $\mathcal{X}_{\blacksquare}$ -persistent, $L_{\square} \otimes L_{\blacksquare}$ is \mathcal{X} -persistent. For suppose that $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L_{\square} \otimes L_{\blacksquare}$ and $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \in \mathcal{X}$. Then both $\langle g, \triangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L_{\square}$ with $\langle g, \triangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \in \mathcal{X}_{\square}$ and $\langle g, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \models L_{\blacksquare}$ with $\langle g, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle \in \mathcal{X}_{\blacksquare}$. Then $\langle g, \triangleleft \rangle \models L_{\square}$ and $\langle g, \blacktriangleleft \rangle \models L_{\blacksquare}$ from which $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle \models L_{\square} \otimes L_{\blacksquare}$.

In modal logic, two classes of general frames play an important role with respect to persistence, namely the class \mathcal{R} of refined frames and the class \mathcal{D} of descriptive frames. A bimodal general frame $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ is called **refined** if it satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} (df) \quad & \forall s, t \in g (s = t \leftrightarrow \forall a \in \mathbb{G} (s \in a \leftrightarrow t \in a)) \\ (t\square) \quad & \forall s, t \in g (s \triangleleft t \leftrightarrow \forall a \in \mathbb{G} (s \in \square a \rightarrow t \in a)) \\ (t\blacksquare) \quad & \forall s, t \in g (s \blacktriangleleft t \leftrightarrow \forall a \in \mathbb{G} (s \in \blacksquare a \rightarrow t \in a)) \end{aligned}$$

If $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ is refined as a bimodal frame, then the mono-modal reducts are refined as mono-modal frames. A general frame $\mathcal{G} = \langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ is called **descriptive** if the map which sends $x \in g$ to the uniquely determined ultrafilter x^b satisfying $\bigcap x^b \ni x$ is an isomorphism between \mathcal{G} and its bidual \mathcal{G}^b which we obtain as follows. Take g^b to be the set of all ultrafilters of $\langle \mathbb{G}, \setminus, \cap \rangle$ and for $a \in \mathbb{G}$ put $a^b = \{U \in g^b | a \in U\}$. Now define

$$\begin{aligned} U \triangleleft^b T & \Leftrightarrow \forall \square a \in U (a \in T) \\ U \blacktriangleleft^b T & \Leftrightarrow \forall \blacksquare a \in U (a \in T) \\ \mathbb{G}^b & = \{a^b | a \in \mathbb{G}\} \end{aligned}$$

Then $\mathcal{G}^b = \langle g^b, \triangleleft^b, \blacktriangleleft^b, \mathbb{G}^b \rangle$ is the **bidual** of \mathcal{G} . Again, if \mathcal{G} is descriptive as a bimodal frame

then its mono-modal frames are descriptive as mono-modal frames. Therefore we have the following results.

Theorem 4 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$. Then $L \otimes M$ is \mathcal{R} -persistent iff both L and M are \mathcal{R} -persistent.*

Proof. Suppose that $\perp \notin L$ is not \mathcal{R} -persistent. We have to show that $L \otimes M$ is also not \mathcal{R} -persistent. We know that there is an L -frame $\mathcal{G} = \langle g, \triangleleft, \mathbb{G} \rangle$ such that $g \not\models L$. On the condition that both \mathcal{G}^\times and \mathcal{G}^\bullet are both refined, the theorem is proved. For either $\mathcal{G}^\times \models L \otimes M$ or $\mathcal{G}^\bullet \models L \otimes M$, but $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle \not\models L \otimes M$ since $\langle g, \triangleleft \rangle \not\models L$.

Both \mathcal{G}^\times and \mathcal{G}^\bullet satisfy (df) and ($t\Box$). That \mathcal{G}^\bullet satisfies ($t\blacksquare$) is seen as follows. If $s = t$ then for all $a \in \mathbb{G}$, $s \in \blacksquare a$ implies $s \in a$ since $\blacksquare a = a$. But if $s \neq t$ there is a $a \in \mathbb{G}$ such that $s \in a, t \notin a$. Then $s \in \blacksquare a, t \notin a$, as required. Similarly, \mathcal{G}^\times satisfies ($t\blacksquare$) since for arbitrary s, t there is $a \in \mathbb{G}$ with $t \notin a$. Then $s \in \blacksquare a, t \notin a$, since $\blacksquare a = 1$. \dashv

Theorem 5 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$. Then $L \otimes M$ is \mathcal{D} -persistent iff both L and M are \mathcal{D} -persistent.*

Proof. As in the previous theorem. One only has to check that if \mathcal{G} is descriptive, so are \mathcal{G}^\times and \mathcal{G}^\bullet . This is routine. \dashv

Descriptive frames are exactly the frames which are representations of modal algebras. We call a frame \mathcal{G} a **canonical** frame for L if it is the representation of a freely α -generated L -algebra, where α is a cardinal number. Then L is **canonical** if it is persistent with respect to its canonical frames.

Corollary 6 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$. Then $L \otimes M$ is canonical iff both L and M are canonical.*

Proof. By a theorem of Sambin and Vaccaro [88] a modal logic is canonical iff it is \mathcal{D} -persistent. \dashv

5 The Fundamental Theorem

L is **complete** if $\not\models \phi$ iff there is a L -frame $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle \not\models \phi$ and L has **f.m.p.** iff $\not\models \phi$ is equivalent to $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle \not\models \phi$ for some finite L -frame $\langle g, \triangleleft, \blacktriangleleft \rangle$. Given that L is complete (has f.m.p.) it is immediate that both L_\square and L_\blacksquare are complete (have f.m.p.). Therefore, if L, M are mono-modal logics and $\perp \notin L, M$ then completeness of $L \otimes M$ implies completeness of L and M .

Theorem 7 *Suppose $\perp \notin L, M$. Then $L \otimes M$ is complete iff both L and M are complete.*

We will first give the reader an idea of how the proof works in principle. Suppose we want to show that $\mathbf{KB} \otimes \mathbf{KB}$ has the finite model property, where $\mathbf{KB} = \mathbf{K}(p \rightarrow \Box \Diamond p)$. Let us try the formula $P = \Diamond \Box (p \wedge \blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p)$. This formula is consistent and we should be able to produce a finite model for it. Since we only know how to build \mathbf{KB} -models, we construct a model for P stepwise. In the first step we treat all maximal subformulas of type $\blacklozenge Q$ as variables, which we denote by $q_{\blacklozenge Q}$. This yields the formula $P^\Box = \Diamond \Box (p \wedge q_{\blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p})$. For this formula we can build a \mathbf{KB} -model.

$$\begin{array}{c} y \times \quad \Box(p \wedge q_{\blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p}); p; q_{\blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p} \\ \uparrow \circ \\ \downarrow \circ \\ x \times \quad \Diamond \Box (p \wedge q_{\blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p}); p; q_{\blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p} \end{array}$$

Here, \times denotes an irreflexive point and \circ indicates the \triangleleft -arrows, while the \blacktriangleleft -arrows will be denoted by \bullet . Our task is obviously not finished as now each point contains these complex variables which can be viewed as placeholders for models which are yet to be built. Since the logic is independent in both modalities we can treat each point separately. For every point, a model for the formula $p \wedge \blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p$ has to be built and to be tagged onto the existing model at that point. The construction will now be dual to the previous one: we now replace maximal subformulas of type $\Diamond Q$ by variables $q_{\Diamond Q}$.

$$\begin{array}{c} p; \blacklozenge q_{\blacksquare \Diamond \Box p}; q_{\blacksquare \Diamond \Box p} \quad \times \blacktriangleleft \bullet \rightarrow \times \quad \blacksquare p_{\blacksquare \Diamond \Box p}; p; q_{\blacksquare \Diamond \Box p} \\ \uparrow \circ \\ \downarrow \circ \\ p; \blacklozenge q_{\blacksquare \Diamond \Box p}; q_{\blacksquare \Diamond \Box p} \quad \times \blacktriangleleft \bullet \rightarrow \times \quad \blacksquare p_{\blacksquare \Diamond \Box p}; p; q_{\blacksquare \Diamond \Box p} \end{array}$$

Finally, at each of the four points we have to build a model for $\Diamond \Box p$. At x and y , which are on the left, this formula is already satisfied. At the other two points we glue a \triangleleft -reflexive one-point frame (denoted by \circ).

$$\begin{array}{c} p; \Diamond \Box p; \Box p \quad \times \blacktriangleleft \bullet \rightarrow \circ \quad p; \Diamond \Box p; \Box p \\ \uparrow \circ \\ \downarrow \circ \\ p; \Diamond \Box p; \Box p \quad \times \blacktriangleleft \bullet \rightarrow \circ \quad p; \Diamond \Box p; \Box p \end{array}$$

There are several ways in which this construction might have gone wrong. First, we might have chosen the following model in the first step.

$$\begin{array}{c} y \times \quad \neg p; q_{\blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p} \\ \uparrow \circ \\ \downarrow \circ \\ x \times \quad p; q_{\blacklozenge \blacksquare \Diamond \Box p} \end{array}$$

But since $\blacklozenge\blacksquare\lozenge\Box p \vdash_{\mathbf{KB}\otimes\mathbf{KB}} p$ we would not be able to complete the construction, since in the third step the model will “backfire” on y forcing $y \models p$; we will avoid this by working with partial valuations which only assign values if necessary. Second, even though we work with partial valuations the same conflict might arise e.g. if we chose the wrong frame to start with. We preempt such difficulties by adding to P^\Box a “consistency”-formula which makes sure that within a certain distance from x all valuations are $\mathbf{KB}\otimes\mathbf{KB}$ -consistent; by going partial this will be enough to be sure that our construction never backfires. The consistency formulae have to be chosen very carefully in order to avoid the above difficulties and others which occur if the construction of the model needs several iterations.

As we have noted, the direction from left to right is straightforward and so we will concentrate on the other direction. For each formula $\Box\psi, \blacksquare\psi \in \mathcal{L}_{\Box\blacksquare}$ we reserve a variable $q_{\Box\psi}$ and $q_{\blacksquare\psi}$ respectively, which we call the **surrogate** of $\Box\psi$ ($\blacksquare\psi$). $q_{\Box\psi}$ is called a \Box -**surrogate** and $q_{\blacksquare\psi}$ a \blacksquare -surrogate. We assume that the set of surrogate variables is distinct from our original set of variables. Any variable which is not a surrogate is called a **p-variable** and every formula composed exclusively from p -variables a **p-formula**. A p -variable is denoted by $p, p_1, \dots, p_i, \dots$ and an arbitrary variable by q . Finally, if ϕ is a formula, then $\text{var}^p(\phi)$ denotes the set of p -variables of ϕ , and likewise the $\text{var}^\Box(\phi), \text{var}^\blacksquare(\phi)$ denote the set of \Box -surrogates of ϕ and the set of \blacksquare -surrogates. The set of p -variables in $\mathcal{L}_{\Box\blacksquare}$ is assumed to be countably infinite.

Definition 8 For a p -formula ϕ we define the \Box -ersatz $\psi^\Box \in \mathcal{L}_{\Box}$ of ψ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} q^\Box &= q \\ (\psi_1 \wedge \psi_2)^\Box &= \psi_1^\Box \wedge \psi_2^\Box \\ (\neg\psi)^\Box &= \neg\psi^\Box \\ (\Box\psi)^\Box &= \Box\psi^\Box \\ (\blacksquare\psi)^\Box &= q_{\blacksquare\psi} \end{aligned}$$

For a set Γ of p -formulae call $\Gamma^\Box = \{\psi^\Box \mid \psi \in \Gamma\}$ the \Box -ersatz of Γ . Dually for \blacksquare .

Now let ψ be composed either without \blacksquare -surrogates or without \Box -surrogates. Then we define the **reconstruction** $\uparrow\psi$ of ψ as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \uparrow\psi &= \psi(\blacksquare\psi_1^\blacksquare/q_{\blacksquare\psi_1}, \dots, \blacksquare\psi_\ell^\blacksquare/q_{\blacksquare\psi_\ell}, p_1, \dots, p_m) \\ \uparrow\psi &= \psi(\Box\psi_1^\Box/q_{\Box\psi_1}, \dots, \Box\psi_\ell^\Box/q_{\Box\psi_\ell}, p_1, \dots, p_m) \end{aligned}$$

Note that if \uparrow is defined on ψ it is also defined on $\uparrow\psi$; for if ψ was free of \Box -surrogates, $\uparrow\psi$ is free of \blacksquare -surrogates and vice versa. Now if ϕ is a p -formula then ϕ^\Box is free of \Box -surrogates and therefore the reconstruction operator is defined on ϕ . Also, if \uparrow is defined on ψ then for some $n \in \omega$ $\uparrow^{n+1}\psi = \uparrow^n\psi$ (where \uparrow^n denotes the n th iteration of \uparrow) which is the case exactly if $\uparrow^n\psi$ is a p -formula. We then call $\uparrow^n\psi$ the **total reconstruction** of ψ and denote it by ψ^\uparrow . ψ^\uparrow results from ψ by replacing each occurrence of a surrogate q_x in

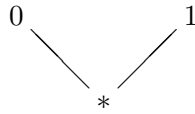
ψ by χ . Now let ϕ be a p -formula. Then we define $\phi_n = \uparrow^n(\phi^\square)$. It is clear that $\phi^{\square\uparrow} = \phi$. The \square -**alternation-depth** of ϕ – $adp^\square(\phi)$ – is defined by $adp^\square(\phi) = \min\{n \mid \phi_n = \phi\}$. For $m > adp^\square(\phi)$, $\phi_m = \phi_{m-1}$. The \blacksquare -**alternation depth**, $adp^\blacksquare(\phi)$ is defined dually and $adp(\phi) = (adp^\square(\phi) + adp^\blacksquare(\phi))/2$. It is easy to show that $|adp^\square(\phi) - adp^\blacksquare(\phi)| \leq 1$. For example, if $\phi \in \mathcal{L}_\square$ then $adp^\square(\phi) = 0$ and $adp^\blacksquare(\phi) = 1$ and so $adp(\phi) = 1/2$. Conversely, $adp(\phi) = 1/2$ implies $\phi \in \mathcal{L}_\square \cup \mathcal{L}_\blacksquare$.

Definition 9 Let L be a (bimodal) logic and $\Delta \subseteq \mathcal{L}_{\square\blacksquare}$ be a finite set. Then the **consistency formula** $\Sigma(\Delta)$ of Δ (with respect to L) is defined by $\Sigma(\Delta) = \bigvee \langle \psi_c \mid c \in C \rangle$, where $\psi_c = \bigwedge \langle \chi \mid \chi \in c \rangle \wedge \bigwedge \langle \neg\chi \mid \chi \notin c \rangle$ and $C = \{c \subseteq \Delta \mid \psi_c \text{ is } L\text{-consistent}\}$. If Δ is an infinite set then we define the **consistency set** $\Sigma(\Delta)$ of Δ to be $\Sigma(\Delta) := \{\Sigma(\Delta') \mid \Delta' \subseteq_{fin} \Delta\}$.

Note that the consistency formulas are L -theorems. We abbreviate the consistency formula for the set $sf\{\psi \mid q_\psi \in var(\phi^\square)\} \cup var^p(\phi)$ by $\Sigma_\square(\phi)$. In the proof of Theorem 7 we construct not ordinary models but *partial models*. If g is a frame and V a set of variables then $\beta : V \rightarrow \{0, 1, *\}^g$ is called a **partial valuation**. Here, 0, 1 are called the **standard** truth values and $*$ is the **undefined** or – to avoid confusion – the **nonstandard** truth value. We define the value of a formula according to the three-valued logic of ‘inherent undefinedness’. It has the following truth tables

	\neg	\wedge	0	1	*
0	1	0	0	0	*
1	0	1	0	1	*
*	*	*	*	*	*

We define $\bar{\beta}(\neg\phi, x) = \neg\bar{\beta}(\phi, x)$, $\bar{\beta}(\phi \wedge \psi, x) = \bar{\beta}(\phi, x) \wedge \bar{\beta}(\psi, x)$ and $\bar{\beta}(\square\phi, x) = \bigwedge \langle \bar{\beta}(\phi, y) \mid x \triangleleft y \rangle$. Note that by definition $\diamond\phi$ and $\square\phi$ receive a standard truth value iff *every* successor receives a standard truth value. We define the following order on the truth values



In the sequel we will assume that all valuations are defined on the entire set of variables. In contrast to what is normally considered a partial valuation, namely a partial function from the set of variables, the source of partiality or undefinedness is twofold. It may be *local*, when a variable or formula fails to be standard at a single world, or *global*, when a variable or formula is nonstandard throughout a frame. Our proof relies crucially on the ability to allow for local partiality. The **domain** of a valuation $\beta : V \rightarrow \{0, 1, *\}^g$ is the set of variables on which β is globally partial i.e. $dom(\beta) := \{q \mid (\exists x \in g)\beta(q, x) \neq *\}$. If $\beta, \gamma : V \rightarrow \{0, 1, *\}^g$ we define $\beta \leq \gamma$ if $\beta(p, x) \leq \gamma(p, x)$ for all $p \in V$ and all $x \in g$. It is easy to see that if $\beta \leq \gamma$ then for all $x \in g$ and all ϕ with $var(\phi) \subseteq V$: $\bar{\beta}(\phi, x) \leq \bar{\gamma}(\phi, x)$.

Hence if β and γ are comparable then they assign equal *standard* truth values to formulas to which they both assign a standard truth value. In the proof we will only have the situation where a partial valuation β is nonstandard either on all \square -surrogates or on all \blacksquare -surrogates. In the latter case we define for a point $x \in g$ and a set Δ of formulae

$$X_{\square}^{\beta, \Delta}(x) = \begin{aligned} & \{\psi \mid \psi \in \Delta, \bar{\beta}(\psi^{\square}, x) = 1\} \\ \cup & \{\neg\psi \mid \psi \in \Delta, \bar{\beta}(\psi^{\square}, x) = 0\} \end{aligned}$$

and call $X_{\square}^{\beta, \Delta}(x)$ the **characteristic set** of x in $\langle g, \beta \rangle$. If $X_{\square}^{\beta, \Delta}(x)$ is finite (for example, if Δ is finite), then $\chi_{\square}^{\beta, \Delta}(x) = \bigwedge X_{\square}^{\beta, \Delta}(x)$ is the **characteristic formula** of x . And dually $X_{\blacksquare}^{\beta, \Delta}(x)$ and $\chi_{\blacksquare}^{\beta, \Delta}(x)$ are defined. We call a set Δ **sf-founded** if for all $\chi \in \Delta$ and $\tau \in sf(\chi)$ then either $\tau \in \Delta$ or $\neg\tau \in \Delta$.

Before we begin the proof of the theorems, let us agree on some abbreviations. If $\langle g, \triangleleft \rangle$ is a frame and $x, y \in g$, write $dist^{\square}(x, y) = k$ if k is the smallest number such that there is a sequence $\langle x_i \mid i \in k+1 \rangle$ with $x_0 = x, x_k = y$ and $x_i \triangleleft x_{i+1}$ for all $i \in k$. Also write $\square^{(k)}\phi = \bigwedge \langle \square^{\ell}\phi \mid \ell \leq k \rangle$. If $x \in g$ and β is a partial valuation then if for all proper subformulas ψ of ϕ ψ is defined on all points y with $dg^{\square}(\psi) + dist^{\square}(x, y) \leq dg^{\square}(\phi)$ then ϕ is defined at x . This is proved by induction on ϕ . Finally, if g and h are Kripke-frames, their disjoint union is denoted by $g \oplus h$.

Proof of Theorem 7: Assume $\mathcal{V}_{\square\blacksquare} \neg\phi$ and $adp^{\square}(\phi) = n$. Denote by \mathbb{S}_i the set $sf\{\psi \mid q_{\psi} \in var(\phi_i)\} \cup var^p(\phi)$. For $i = 0$ this is exactly the set of formulas on which the consistency formulas for ϕ is defined. We will use an inductive construction to get a $L \otimes M$ -frame for ϕ . We will build a sequence $\langle \langle g_i, \beta_i, s \rangle \mid i \in \omega \rangle$ of frames which will be stationary for $i \geq adp^{\square}(\phi)$. The construction of the models shall satisfy the following conditions, which we spell out for $i = 2k$; for odd indices the conditions are dual.

$$[\mathbf{a}]_{2k} \quad g_{2k}, \beta_{2k}, s \models \phi_{2k}$$

$$[\mathbf{b}]_{2k} \quad dom(\beta_{2k}) = var(\mathbb{S}_{2k}^{\square})$$

$$[\mathbf{c}]_{2k} \quad \langle g_{2k}, \triangleleft_{2k} \rangle = \langle g_{2k-2}, \triangleleft_{2k-2} \rangle \oplus h \text{ for some } h, \text{ and } \blacktriangleleft_{2k} = \blacktriangleleft_{2k-1}$$

$$[\mathbf{d}]_{2k} \quad g_{2k} \models L$$

[\mathbf{e}]_{2k} For $x \in g_{2k-1}$:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \beta_{2k}(p, x) &= \beta_{2k-1}(p, x), & p \in var(\phi) \\ (2) \quad \beta_{2k}(q_{\blacksquare\psi}, x) &\leq \beta_{2k-1}(\blacksquare\psi^{\blacksquare}, x), & q_{\blacksquare\psi} \in var(\mathbb{S}_{2k}^{\blacksquare}) \\ (3) \quad \beta_{2k-1}(q_{\square\psi}, x) &\leq \beta_{2k}(\square\psi^{\square}, x), & q_{\square\psi} \in var(\mathbb{S}_{2k-1}^{\square}) \end{aligned}$$

$$[\mathbf{f}]_{2k} \quad X^{2k}(x) := X_{\blacksquare}^{\beta_{2k}, \mathbb{S}_{2k}^{\blacksquare}}(x) \text{ is consistent and sf-founded for } x \in g_{2k} - g_{2k-1}$$

We begin the construction as follows. Since ϕ is $L \otimes M$ -consistent, so is $\square^{(dg^{\square}(\phi))}\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)^{\square} \wedge \phi^{\square}$ because $\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)$ is a theorem of $L \otimes M$. A fortiori, $\square^{(dg^{\square}(\phi))}\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)^{\square} \wedge \phi^{\square}$ is L -consistent and has a model

$$\langle g_0, \triangleleft_0 \rangle, \gamma_0, s \models \square^{(dg^\square(\phi))} \Sigma_\square(\phi)^\square; \phi^\square$$

with $\text{dom}(\gamma_0) = \text{var}(\mathbb{S}_0^\square)$. We may assume that $g_0 = \text{Tr}^\square(s, g_0)$. Now put $\beta_0(q_\psi, x) = *$ if $dg^\square(\psi) + \text{dist}^\square(s, x) > dg^\square(\phi)$ and $\beta_0(q_\psi, x) = \gamma_0(q_\psi, x)$ else. In addition, $\beta_0(p, x) = *$ if $\text{dist}^\square(s, x) > dg^\square(\phi)$. Then, by the above remark ϕ^\square is defined at s and since $\beta_0 \leq \gamma_0$

$$\langle g_0, \triangleleft_0 \rangle, \beta_0, s \models \phi^\square = \phi_0$$

Therefore, $[a]_0$ and $[d]_0$ hold. For $[f]_0$ note that $X^0(x) \subseteq X^{\gamma_0}(x)$; and the latter is consistent. And $X^0(x)$ is sf-founded since \mathbb{S}_0 is sf-founded and thus it is enough to see that (\dagger) if $\chi \in X^0(x), \tau \in \text{sf}(\chi)$ then also $\beta_0(\tau, x) \neq *$. This is, however, immediate; for $dg^\square(\chi) + \text{dist}^\square(s, x) \leq dg^\square(\phi)$ implies $dg^\square(\tau) + \text{dist}^\square(s, x) \leq dg^\square(\phi)$.

The inductive step is done only for the case $i = 2k > 0$. For odd i the construction is dual. Assume $[a]_{2k} - [f]_{2k}$. For every point $t \in g_{2k} - g_{2k-1}$ we build a model

$$\langle h_t, \triangleleft_t \rangle, \gamma_t, t \models \blacksquare^{(dg^\blacksquare(\chi^{2k}(t)))} \Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\chi^{2k}(t))^\blacksquare; \chi^{2k}(t)^\blacksquare$$

with $\chi^{2k}(t) := \chi_{\blacksquare}^{\beta_{2k}, \mathbb{S}_{2k}}(t)$. This is possible since all the characteristic formulae are $L \otimes M$ -consistent and so their \blacksquare -ersatz is M -consistent. We assume that $h_t \cap h_{t'} = \emptyset$ for $t \neq t'$ and $h_t \cap g_{2k} = \{t\}$ and $h_t = \text{Tr}^\blacksquare(t, h_t)$. In case where $dg^\blacksquare(\chi^{2k}(t)) = 0$ we set

$$\begin{aligned} h_t &= \{t\} \\ \triangleleft_t &= \{\langle t, t \rangle\} && \text{if } \blacksquare \models M \\ &= \emptyset && \text{else} \end{aligned}$$

Clearly then $\beta_{2k}(q, t) = \gamma_t(q, t)$ for $q \in \text{var}(\mathbb{S}_{2k}^\blacksquare)$. We put $\beta_t(q, x) = *$ for $q \notin \text{var}(X^{2k}(t)^\blacksquare)$ and $\beta_t(q_\psi, x) = *$ if $dg^\blacksquare(\psi) + \text{dist}^\blacksquare(t, x) > dg^\blacksquare(\chi^{2k}(t))$; finally, $\beta_t(p, x) = *$ if $\text{dist}^\blacksquare(t, x) > dg^\blacksquare(\chi^{2k}(t))$. But in all other cases $\beta_t(q, x) = \gamma_t(q, x)$. Clearly, $\beta_t \leq \gamma_t$. Now observe that $\text{var}(\mathbb{S}_{2k}^\blacksquare) = \text{var}(\mathbb{S}_{2k+1}^\blacksquare)$ and therefore $\text{var}(X^{2k}(t)^\blacksquare) \subseteq \text{var}(\mathbb{S}_{2k+1}^\blacksquare)$. We can conclude that (1) $\chi^{2k}(t)^\blacksquare$ is defined at t in $\langle h_t, \beta_t \rangle$ and therefore $\langle h_t, \triangleleft_t \rangle, \beta_t, t \models \chi^{2k}(t)^\blacksquare$ and that (2) $X^{\beta_t}(x)$ is consistent and sf-founded (using (\dagger)). Now let

$$\begin{aligned} g_{2k+1} &= g_{2k} \cup \bigcup \langle h_t \mid t \in g_{2k} - g_{2k-1} \rangle \\ \triangleleft_{2k+1} &= \triangleleft_{2k} \\ \blacktriangleleft_{2k+1} &= \blacktriangleleft_{2k} \cup \bigcup \langle \triangleleft_t \mid t \in g_{2k} - g_{2k-1} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Define β_{2k+1} by $\beta_{2k+1}(q, x) := \beta_t(q, x)$ for $x \in h_t$ and $\beta_{2k+1}(q, x) := \beta_{2k-1}(q, x)$ for $x \in g_{2k-1}, q \in \text{var}(\mathbb{S}_{2k+1}^\blacksquare)$; in all other cases $\beta_{2k+1}(q, x) = *$. By construction, $[b]_{2k+1}$

holds. $[c]_{2k+1}$ holds by $\langle g_{2k+1}, \blacktriangleleft_{2k+1} \rangle = \langle g_{2k-1}, \blacktriangleleft_{2k-1} \rangle \oplus \bigoplus \langle h_t | t \in g_{2k} - g_{2k-1} \rangle$ and $\blacktriangleleft_{2k+1} = \blacktriangleleft_{2k}$. $[d]_{2k+1}$ is immediate from $[c]_{2k+1}$, $[d]_{2k-1}$ and $h_t \models M$. Now we show $[e]_{2k+1}$. Ad (1). Let $x \in g_{2k-1}$. Then by $[e]_{2k}$ $\beta_{2k}(p, x) = \beta_{2k-1}(p, x) = \beta_{2k+1}(p, x)$. But if $x \in g_{2k} - g_{2k-1}$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta_{2k+1}(p, x) = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \beta_x(p, x) = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow^\dagger & p \in X^{2k}(x) \\ \Leftrightarrow & \beta_{2k}(p, x) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

where \Leftrightarrow^\dagger is true since $X^{2k}(x)$ is sf-founded and $\text{dom}(\beta_x) = \text{var}(X^{2k}(x))$. Similarly, $\beta_{2k+1}(p, x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \beta_{2k}(p, x) = 0$ is shown. Ad (2). If $x \in g_{2k-1}$ we have $\beta_{2k+1}(q_{\square\psi}, x) = \beta_{2k-1}(q_{\square\psi}, x) \leq \beta_{2k}(\square\psi^\square, x)$ by $[e]_{2k}$. But if $x \in g_{2k} - g_{2k-1}$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta_{2k+1}(q_{\square\psi}, x) = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \beta_x(q_{\square\psi}, x) = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \square\psi \in X^{2k}(x) \\ \Leftrightarrow & \beta_{2k}(\square\psi^\square, x) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and the argument continues as in (1). Ad (3). If $x \in g_{2k-1}$ the claim follows by $[e]_{2k}$. If $\beta_{2k}(q_{\blacksquare\psi}, x) = *$ then there is nothing to show. However, if $\beta_{2k}(q_{\blacksquare\psi}, x) \neq *$ then $\blacksquare\psi \in X^{2k}(x)$ or $\neg\blacksquare\psi \in X^{2k}(x)$ and thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta_{2k+1}(q_{\blacksquare\psi}, x) = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \beta_x(q_{\blacksquare\psi}, x) = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \blacksquare\psi \in X^{2k}(x) \\ \Leftrightarrow & \beta_{2k}(q_{\blacksquare\psi}, x) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$[f]_{2k+1}$ holds because of $[c]_{2k+1}$ and by the definition of β_{2k+1} and finally because of (2) of $[e]_{2k+1}$. $[a]_{2k+1}$ follows directly from $[e]_{2k+1}$ (1) and (3).

If $n = \text{adp}^\square(\phi)$ we have $g_{n+1} = g_n$ and $dg^\blacksquare(\chi^n(t)) = dg^\square(\chi^n(t)) = 0$ for all t since $\mathbb{S}_n = \text{var}(\phi)$ and therefore $\text{dom}(\beta_n) = \text{var}(\phi)$ by $[b]_n$. By construction of the h_t , the h_t are based on a single point and thus g_{n+1} does not contain more points than g_n . Moreover, by $[d]_n$, $[d]_{n+1}$, $g_{n+1} \models L \otimes M$ and by $[a]_{n+1}$, $g_{n+1}, \beta_{n+1}, s \models \phi_{n+1} = \phi$. Take any valuation $\gamma \geq \beta_{n+1}$ which is standard for the p -variables. Then $g_{n+1}, \gamma, s \models \phi$. \dashv

A few remarks on the completeness proof. First, Fine and Schurz [91] use a proof which is based on the same intuition. It is perhaps worthwhile reading the explanations of the method in this paper. The fact that we use surrogate variables q_ψ rather than the formulas they stand in for seems to complicate matters for the completeness proof; however, it will pay off when we prove results on interpolation and Halldén-completeness. Second,

although we use the word ‘construction’ in the proof, the method for obtaining such a model is not constructive even when both L and M admit an effective construction of models (say, via tableaux). For the proof methods relies essentially on the consistency formulas which themselves can be constructed only when both L and M are decidable. We will return to this problem shortly.

Theorem 10 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$. Then $L \otimes M$ has f.m.p. iff both L and M have f.m.p.*

The proof of this theorem is exactly the same, except that each partial model can be based on a finite frame. Since the construction terminates after finitely many steps, the resulting model is finite. The proof of Theorem 7 has a noteworthy consequence.

Corollary 11 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$ and that both logics are complete. Then*

- (i) $\vdash_{\square} \phi \Leftrightarrow \vdash_{\square} \square^{(m)} \Sigma_{\square}(\phi) \rightarrow \phi$ for all $m \geq dg^{\square}(\phi)$
- (ii) $\vdash_{\blacksquare} \phi \Leftrightarrow \vdash_{\blacksquare} \blacksquare^{(m)} \Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\phi) \rightarrow \phi$ for all $m \geq dg^{\blacksquare}(\phi)$

6 Compactness is Invariant under Fusion

A logic L is called **compact** if $\Phi \vdash \phi$ holds in L iff for all L -frames g , valuations β and points x

$$g, \beta, x \models \Phi \Rightarrow g, \beta, x \models \phi$$

Equivalently, L is compact iff every consistent set has a model based on a frame for L . Compactness is therefore a much stronger property than completeness; every \mathcal{D} -persistent logic is compact.

Theorem 12 *Let $\perp \notin L, M$. Then $L \otimes M$ is compact iff both L and M are compact.*

Proof. Suppose Φ is an $L \otimes M$ -consistent set of formulae. Use the same construction as in the proof of Theorem 7 with sets formulae and consistency sets rather than consistency formulae. The construction terminates after finitely many steps iff there is a bound for the alternation depth of the formulas in Φ . If it terminates one can reason as before; however, if it does not then put $g = \bigcup \langle g_i \mid i \in \omega \rangle$. Then $g \models L$ and $g \models M$ by [c] and [d]. For if $x \in g_i$ then $g, x \models L \Leftrightarrow g_{i+1}, x \models L$ and $g, x \models M \Leftrightarrow g_{i+1}, x \models M$. Both is the case. Hence $g \models L \otimes M$. For the valuation observe that $\beta_{i+1}(p, x) = \beta_i(p, x)$ for $x \in g_i$. And so we put $\beta(p, x) = \beta_i(p, x)$. Take any standard valuation $\gamma \geq \beta$. Then $g, \gamma, s \models \Phi$. For if $\phi \in \Phi$ then for some n , $\phi_n = \phi$. Then $g_n, \beta, s \models \phi$ and therefore $g, \beta, s \models \phi$ from which $g, \gamma, s \models \phi$. \dashv

In presence of compactness it is actually possible to give a proof of the theorem not using partial models. At each step we just require a model for $X^{2k+1}(t)^\square$; $\square^{(\omega)}\Sigma_\square(X^{2k+1}(t))$ and $X^{2k}(t)^\blacksquare$; $\blacksquare^{(\omega)}\Sigma_\blacksquare(X^{2k}(t))$ respectively, where $\square^{(\omega)}\Phi$ denotes the set $\{\square^k\phi \mid k \in \omega, \phi \in \Phi\}$. The model $\langle h_t, \beta_t, t \rangle$ can be assumed to be generated by t and therefore $X^{\beta_t}(x)$ is $L \otimes M$ -consistent for all $x \in h_t$.

Now define a new consequence relation \Vdash ; $\Phi \Vdash \phi$ holds iff ϕ can be derived from Φ and the axioms of the logic using Modus Ponens and Necessitation. If L is a mono-modal logic then $\Phi \Vdash \phi$ iff $\square^{(\omega)}\Phi \vdash \phi$. L is called \Vdash -**complete** if $\psi \Vdash \phi$ holds iff for all L -frames g and valuations β

$$g, \beta \models \psi \Rightarrow g, \beta \models \phi.$$

If we say that L is **weakly compact** if $\square^{(\omega)}\phi$ is consistent iff it has a model based on a L -frame then it is easily proved that L is \Vdash -complete iff $\square^{(\omega)}\psi; \phi$ has a Kripke-model (in the usual sense) exactly if it is consistent. Then \Vdash -completeness implies weak compactness. Finally, L is \Vdash -**compact** if $\square^{(\omega)}\Phi; \phi$ is consistent iff it has a model based on a L -frame. The following implications hold

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{compact} & \Rightarrow & \text{complete} \\ \downarrow & & \uparrow \\ \Vdash\text{-compact} & \Rightarrow & \Vdash\text{-complete} \end{array}$$

Theorem 13 *Suppose $\perp \notin L, M$. Then $L \otimes M$ is \Vdash -complete (\Vdash -compact, weakly compact) iff both L and M are \Vdash -complete (\Vdash -compact, weakly compact). \dashv*

In Fine [74] a logic is called *weakly compact* if every consistent set based on finitely many variables has a Kripke-model on a frame for this logic. For this notion of weak compactness our method fails to yield a transfer theorem. Indeed, a counterexample can be constructed as follows. Take a mono-modal logic L which is weakly compact but not compact. We show that $L \otimes \mathbf{K}$ is not weakly compact. For there exists a set X which is L -consistent but lacks a Kripke-model. Then X is based on infinitely many variables, namely $\text{var}(X) = \{p_i \mid i \in \omega\}$; now let \tilde{X} result from X by replacing the variable p_i by the formula $\blacksquare^i p$ for each $i \in \omega$. Then $\text{var}(\tilde{X}) = \{p\}$ and so \tilde{X} is based on finitely many variables. Clearly, \tilde{X} is consistent; but if \tilde{X} has a model based on a Kripke-frame then this allows a direct construction of a Kripke-model for X . Thus $L \otimes \mathbf{K}$ is indeed not weakly compact. Everything hinges therefore on the existence of a weakly compact logic which is not compact. **G.3** is such a logic. **G.3** is weakly compact since it is of finite width, but is not compact by a result of Fine [85].

7 Decidability

Recall that a logic L is **decidable** iff both L and its complement $\mathcal{L} - L$ are recursively enumerable iff there is an effective algorithm deciding whether or not $\phi \in L$ for given ϕ .

Theorem 14 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$ and that both logics are complete. Then $L \otimes M$ is decidable if both L and M are decidable.*

Proof. By induction on $n := \text{adp}(\phi)$. If $n = 0$, ϕ is boolean and since $\perp \notin L \otimes M$ $\vdash_{\square \blacksquare} \phi$ iff ϕ is a boolean tautology. Since the propositional calculus is decidable, this case is settled. Now suppose that for all ψ with $\text{adp}(\psi) < n$ we have shown the decidability of $\vdash_{\square \blacksquare} \psi$. We know by Corollary 11 that for $m \geq \text{dg}^{\square}(\phi), \text{dg}^{\blacksquare}(\phi)$

$$\begin{aligned} \vdash_{\square \blacksquare} \phi &\Leftrightarrow \vdash_{\square} \square^{(m)} \Sigma_{\square}(\phi)^{\square} \rightarrow \phi^{\square} \\ \vdash_{\square \blacksquare} \phi &\Leftrightarrow \vdash_{\blacksquare} \blacksquare^{(m)} \Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\phi)^{\blacksquare} \rightarrow \phi^{\blacksquare} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we can decide $\vdash_{\square \blacksquare} \phi$ on the condition that either $\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)$ or $\Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\phi)$ can be constructed. But now either $\text{adp}(\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)) < n$ or $\text{adp}(\Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\phi)) < n$. This is seen as follows. Suppose that $\text{adp}^{\square}(\phi) \leq \text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\phi)$. Then there is a maximal chain of nested alternating modalities starting with \square . Then any maximal chain of nested alternating modalities in $\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)$ starts with \blacksquare (!) and is a subchain of of such a chain in ϕ . Consequently, $\text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)) < \text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\phi)$ and with $\text{adp}^{\square}(\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)) \leq \text{adp}^{\square}(\phi)$ the claim follows. Now let $\text{adp}(\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)) < \text{adp}(\phi)$ be the case. Then

$$\Sigma_{\square}(\phi) = \bigvee \langle \psi_c \mid c \subseteq C, \not\vdash_{\square \blacksquare} \neg \psi_c \rangle$$

Consequently, $\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)$ can be constructed if only $\vdash_{\square \blacksquare} \neg \psi_c$ is decidable for all c . But this is so because $\text{adp}(\neg \psi_c) < n$. \dashv

Note that for $m > 1$ $\text{adp}^{\square}(\square^{(m)} \Sigma_{\square}(\phi)) \leq \text{adp}^{\square}(\phi)$ but $\text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\square^{(m)} \Sigma_{\square}(\phi)) \leq \text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\phi) + 1$. A case where the inequalities are sharp is given by $\phi = \blacksquare p$. But in all these cases $\text{adp}^{\square}(\phi) > \text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\phi)$ in which case we also have $\text{adp}^{\square}(\blacksquare^{(m)} \Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\phi)) \leq \text{adp}^{\square}(\phi)$ and $\text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\phi)) < \text{adp}^{\square}(\blacksquare^{(m)} \Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\phi)) \leq \text{adp}^{\square}(\phi)$ and therefore $\text{adp}(\blacksquare^{(m)} \Sigma_{\blacksquare}(\phi)) \leq \text{adp}(\phi)$. This will be needed later.

Decidability does not imply completeness. A counterexample is given in Creswell [84]. On the other hand, finite model property does not imply decidability since there are uncountably many logics with f.m.p. So these properties are clearly not linked in a straightforward way.

8 Interpolation and Halldén-completeness

In this section we will show that interpolation and Halldén-completeness are both preserved under fusion provided that the two logics are complete. Recall that a logic L is said to have **interpolation** if whenever $\phi \rightarrow \psi \in L$ there is a formula χ such that $\text{var}(\chi) \subseteq \text{var}(\phi) \cap \text{var}(\psi)$ and $\phi \rightarrow \chi, \chi \rightarrow \psi \in L$. χ is called an **interpolant** for ϕ and ψ . L is called **Halldén-complete** if whenever $\phi \vee \psi \in L$ and $\text{var}(\phi) \cap \text{var}(\psi) = \emptyset$ then $\phi \in L$ or $\psi \in L$. Equivalently, L is Halldén-complete iff for ϕ and ψ based on disjoint sets of variables $\phi \wedge \psi$ is L -consistent iff both ϕ and ψ are L -consistent. Halldén-completeness is closely connected with the notion of *relevance*. According to a widely accepted definition, a logic is **relevant** if whenever $\Phi \vdash_L \phi$ and ϕ is not an L -theorem, then $\text{var}(\Phi) \cap \text{var}(\phi) \neq \emptyset$. A logic which is Halldén-complete is a logic which is as relevant as possible while still being classical. For L is Halldén-complete iff $\Phi \vdash_L \phi$ for a nontheorem ϕ implies either that Φ is inconsistent or that $\text{var}(\Phi) \cap \text{var}(\phi) \neq \emptyset$. So, L is relevant with the exception of “ex falso quodlibet”.

For mono-modal logics, interpolation does not imply Halldén-completeness. For if $\phi \rightarrow \psi \in L$ and $\text{var}(\phi) \cap \text{var}(\psi) = \emptyset$ then by interpolation there is a constant formula χ such that $\phi \rightarrow \chi, \chi \rightarrow \psi \in L$; we cannot, however, conclude $\neg\phi \in L$ or $\psi \in L$. This is only the case if χ is either \top or \perp . For a counterexample take $\Box\perp \rightarrow \Box\perp$ (see van Benthem and Humberstone [83]). In fact, if L is Halldén-complete then either $L \supseteq K(\Box)$ or $L \supseteq \mathbf{K}/\Box = \mathbf{K}(\Diamond\top)$. And under the same conditions interpolation implies Halldén-completeness. Thus, while \mathbf{K} and $\mathbf{K4}$ have interpolation, they are not Halldén-complete. Also, van Benthem and Humberstone [83] show that **S4.3** is Halldén-complete; but it lacks interpolation as is shown by L. L. Maximova (see Rautenberg [83]).

Classical (propositional) logic has interpolation and is therefore also Halldén-complete. Rautenberg [83] proves that if a logic allows tableaux of a certain type then this logic has interpolation. These results can be boosted up to multi-modal logics. For if L and M are two logics which admit such tableaux, then the rules of $L \otimes M$ are just the rules for L and M together. Obviously, in this case interpolation for $L \otimes M$ is proved and the resulting tableau has the additional virtue to allow a direct computation of the interpolant. In the general case considered here, such a direct method is not available. However, if both L and M are decidable and each not only has interpolation but also allows an effective construction of an interpolant then $L \otimes M$ has all these properties as well since we will give a construction of the interpolant, which is effective under these circumstances.

The proof in both cases consists in a close analysis of the consistency formulae $\Sigma_{\Box}(\phi \vee \psi)$ and $\Sigma_{\Box}(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$. Since both are identical, it suffices to concentrate on the latter. We can write $\Sigma_{\Box}(\phi) = \bigvee \langle \tilde{\phi}_c | c \in C \rangle$ and $\Sigma_{\Box}(\psi) = \bigvee \langle \tilde{\psi}_d | d \in D \rangle$. Then obviously $\Sigma_{\Box}(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$ is (up to boolean equivalence) a suitable disjunction of $\tilde{\phi}_c \wedge \tilde{\psi}_d$; namely, this disjunction is taken over the set E of all pairs $\langle c, d \rangle$ such that $\tilde{\phi}_c \wedge \tilde{\psi}_d$ is consistent. Equivalently, we can write

$$\Sigma_{\Box}(\phi \rightarrow \psi) = \Sigma_{\Box}(\phi) \wedge \Sigma_{\Box}(\psi) \wedge \bigwedge \langle \tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow \neg\tilde{\psi}_d | \langle c, d \rangle \notin E \rangle$$

We abbreviate the third conjunct by $\nabla(\phi; \psi)$ (or, to be more precise we would again have to write $\nabla_{\square}(\phi; \psi)$). Obviously, $\nabla(\phi; \psi)$ serves to cut out the unwanted disjuncts. In some sense $\nabla(\phi; \phi)$ measures the extent to which ϕ and ψ are interdependent. So if $\nabla(\phi; \psi) = \top$ both are independent. It is vital to observe that all reformulations are classical equivalences.

Theorem 15 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$ and that both logics are complete. Then $L \otimes M$ is Halldén-complete iff both L and M are.*

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose $\phi \vee \psi \in L$ and $\text{var}(\phi) \cap \text{var}(\psi) = \emptyset$. Then $\phi \vee \psi \in L \otimes M$ and so either $\phi \in L \otimes M$ or $\psi \in L \otimes M$ and thus either $\phi \in L$ or $\psi \in L$, since $L \otimes M$ is a conservative extension of L .

(\Leftarrow) By induction on $n = \text{adp}(\phi \vee \psi)$. For $n = 0$ this follows from classical logic. Now assume that $n > 0$ and that the theorem is proved for all formulae of alternation depth $< n$. Take $\phi \vee \psi$ such that $\text{var}(\phi) \cap \text{var}(\psi) = \emptyset$ and $\text{adp}(\phi \vee \psi) = n$. Assume $\text{adp}^{\square}(\Sigma_{\square}(\phi \vee \psi)) < \text{adp}^{\square}(\phi \vee \psi)$. Then by Corollary 11, $\vdash_{\square} \square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\phi \vee \psi)^{\square} \rightarrow \phi^{\square} \vee \psi^{\square}$ for large m , by which

$$\vdash_{\square} \square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)^{\square} \wedge \square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\psi)^{\square} \wedge \square^{(m)}\nabla(\phi; \psi)^{\square} \rightarrow \phi^{\square} \vee \psi^{\square}$$

The crucial fact now is that $\nabla(\phi; \psi) = \top$. For if $\tilde{\phi}_c$ and $\tilde{\psi}_d$ are both $L \otimes M$ -consistent, then since $\text{var}(\tilde{\phi}_c) \cap \text{var}(\tilde{\psi}_d) \subseteq \text{var}(\phi) \cap \text{var}(\psi) = \emptyset$ and $\text{adp}(\tilde{\phi}_c), \text{adp}(\tilde{\psi}_d) < n$, $\tilde{\phi}_c \wedge \tilde{\psi}_d$ is $L \otimes M$ -consistent by induction hypothesis. Thus $\nabla(\phi; \psi)$ is an empty conjunction. Consequently, we can rewrite the above to

$$\begin{aligned} \vdash_{\square} \square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)^{\square} \wedge \square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\psi)^{\square} &\rightarrow \phi^{\square} \vee \psi^{\square} \\ \vdash_{\square} \square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)^{\square} &\rightarrow \phi^{\square}. \vee. \square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\psi)^{\square} \rightarrow \psi^{\square} \end{aligned}$$

Now since L is Halldén-complete, we have $\square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\phi)^{\square} \rightarrow \phi^{\square} \in L$ or $\square^{(m)}\Sigma_{\square}(\psi)^{\square} \rightarrow \psi^{\square} \in L$ from which by Corollary 11 $\phi \in L \otimes M$ or $\psi \in L \otimes M$. \dashv

Theorem 16 *Suppose that $\perp \notin L, M$ and that both logics are complete. Then $L \otimes M$ has interpolation iff both L and M have interpolation. Moreover, if $\phi \rightarrow \psi \in L \otimes M$ then an interpolant χ can be found such that $\text{adp}^{\square}(\chi) \leq \min\{\text{adp}^{\square}(\phi), \text{adp}^{\square}(\psi)\}$ and $\text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\chi) \leq \min\{\text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\phi), \text{adp}^{\blacksquare}(\psi)\}$.*

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Let $\phi \rightarrow \psi \in L$. Then by hypothesis there is a χ such that $\phi \rightarrow \chi, \chi \rightarrow \psi \in L \otimes M$ based on the common variables of ϕ and ψ . Now, by Makinson's Theorem, either $M(p \leftrightarrow \blacksquare p)$ or $M(\blacksquare p)$ is consistent. Let the former be the case. Then let χ° result from χ by successively replacing a subformula $\blacksquare \psi$ by ψ . Then $\chi^{\circ} \in \mathcal{L}_{\square}$ and $\chi \leftrightarrow \chi^{\circ} \in M(p \leftrightarrow \blacksquare p)$. Hence, as $\phi \rightarrow \chi \in L \otimes M$, then also $\phi \rightarrow \chi^{\circ} \in L \otimes M(p \leftrightarrow \blacksquare p)$. But $L \otimes M(p \leftrightarrow \blacksquare p)$ is a conservative extension of L and therefore $\phi \rightarrow \chi^{\circ} \in L$. In the case where $M(\blacksquare p)$ is consistent, define χ° to be the result of replacing subformulas of type $\blacksquare \psi$ by \top . Then use the same argument as before.

(\Leftarrow) By induction on $n = \text{adp}(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$. The case $n = 0$ is covered by classical logic. Now suppose that $n > 0$ and that the theorem has been proved for all formulae of alternation depth $< n$. Let $\phi \rightarrow \psi \in L \otimes M$. We may assume that $\text{adp}^\square(\phi \rightarrow \psi) \leq \text{adp}^\blacksquare(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$ and thus $\text{adp}^\blacksquare(\Sigma_\square(\phi \rightarrow \psi)) < \text{adp}^\blacksquare(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$ (see the calculations following Theorem 14). Then $\text{adp}(\Sigma_\square(\phi \rightarrow \psi)) < \text{adp}(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$. By Corollary 11, for sufficiently large m ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \vdash_\square \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\phi \rightarrow \psi) \rightarrow \phi^\square \rightarrow \psi^\square \\ (\dagger) \quad & \vdash_\square \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\phi)^\square \wedge \phi^\square \wedge \square^{(m)} \nabla(\phi; \psi)^\square \rightarrow \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\psi)^\square \rightarrow \psi^\square \end{aligned}$$

Let $\tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow \neg\tilde{\psi}_d$ be a conjunct of $\nabla(\phi; \psi)$. By induction hypothesis and the fact that $\text{adp}(\tilde{\phi}_c), \text{adp}(\tilde{\psi}_d) \leq \text{adp}(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$ (since we have $\text{adp}^\blacksquare(\tilde{\phi}_c), \text{adp}^\blacksquare(\neg\tilde{\psi}_d) \leq \text{adp}^\blacksquare(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$ and $\text{adp}^\square(\tilde{\phi}_c), \text{adp}^\square(\neg\tilde{\psi}_d) \leq \text{adp}^\square(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$) there is an interpolant $Q_{c,d}$ for $\tilde{\phi}_c$ and $\tilde{\psi}_d$. Note that $\text{var}(Q_{c,d}) = \text{var}^p(Q_{c,d}) \subseteq \text{var}(\phi) \cap \text{var}(\psi)$ and that $\text{adp}^\square(Q_{c,d}) \leq \min\{\text{adp}^\square(\tilde{\phi}_c), \text{adp}^\square(\tilde{\psi}_d)\} \leq \min\{\text{adp}^\square(\phi), \text{adp}^\square(\psi)\}$ and likewise for \blacksquare . Again by Corollary 11 we get

$$\vdash_\square \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow Q_{c,d})^\square \wedge \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(Q_{c,d} \rightarrow \neg\tilde{\psi}_d)^\square \rightarrow \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow Q_{c,d})^\square \wedge \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(Q_{c,d} \rightarrow \neg\tilde{\psi}_d)^\square$$

and therefore with $F = C \times D - E$ (recall the definition of ∇)

$$\begin{aligned} & \wedge_F \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow Q_{c,d})^\square \wedge \wedge_F \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(Q_{c,d} \rightarrow \neg\tilde{\psi}_d)^\square \\ & \vdash_\square \wedge_F(\tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow Q_{c,d})^\square \wedge \wedge_F(Q_{c,d} \rightarrow \neg\tilde{\psi}_d)^\square \\ & \vdash_\square \nabla(\phi; \psi)^\square \end{aligned}$$

Thus (\dagger) can be rewritten modulo boolean equivalence to

$$\begin{aligned} & \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\phi)^\square \wedge \phi^\square \wedge \wedge_F \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow Q_{c,d})^\square \\ & \vdash_\square \wedge_F \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(Q_{c,d} \rightarrow \neg\tilde{\psi}_d)^\square \wedge \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\psi)^\square \rightarrow \psi^\square \end{aligned}$$

Abbreviate the formula to the left by η_ℓ and the one to the right by η_r . Then $\text{adp}^\square(\eta_\ell^\uparrow) = \max\{\text{adp}^\square(\square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\phi)), \text{adp}^\square(\phi), \text{adp}^\square(\wedge_F \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow Q_{c,d}))\} = \text{adp}^\square(\phi)$ (since we have that $\text{adp}^\square(\square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\phi)) \leq \text{adp}^\square(\phi)$ by an earlier observation and $\text{adp}^\square(\wedge_F \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\tilde{\phi}_c \rightarrow Q_{c,d})) \leq \text{adp}^\square(\square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\phi))$) and by a similar argument $\text{adp}^\square(\eta_r^\uparrow) = \max\{\text{adp}^\square(\square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(\psi)), \text{adp}^\square(\psi), \text{adp}^\square(\wedge_F \square^{(m)} \Sigma_\square(Q_{c,d} \rightarrow \neg\tilde{\psi}_d))\} = \text{adp}^\square(\psi)$; and likewise for adp^\blacksquare . By assumption on L , there is an interpolant χ for η_ℓ and η_r . By definition, χ is based on the same surrogate variables as η_ℓ and η_r . Then for the total reconstruction χ^\uparrow of χ $\text{adp}^\square(\chi^\uparrow) \leq \min\{\text{adp}^\square(\eta_\ell^\uparrow), \text{adp}^\square(\eta_r^\uparrow)\} = \min\{\text{adp}^\square(\phi), \text{adp}^\square(\psi)\}$ and likewise for adp^\blacksquare . It is easily verified that $\text{var}^p(\chi^\uparrow) \subseteq \text{var}^p(\phi) \cap \text{var}^p(\psi)$. Moreover, from $\eta_\ell = \eta_\ell^\uparrow \vdash_\square \chi^\uparrow$ with Corollary 11 and the fact that the consistency formulae are $L \otimes M$ -theorems we conclude that $\phi \vdash_\square \blacksquare \chi^\uparrow$ and likewise that $\chi^\uparrow \vdash_\square \blacksquare \psi$. \dashv

Theorem 16 implies an even stronger interpolation property for $L \otimes M$. Namely, if $\phi \rightarrow \psi \in L \otimes M$ then an interpolant exists which is not only based on the common variables but also contains only the modalities which occur in both ϕ and ψ .

Relatively little is known about the connection between completeness and interpolation and Halldén-completeness. These are probably independent properties. **S4.3** has f.m.p. but lacks interpolation. On the other hand, if we define $\mathbf{K4}_\omega$ to be the extension of $\mathbf{K4}$ by all constant formulae which are theorems of \mathbf{G} then it can be shown that $\mathbf{K4}_\omega$ has interpolation (Rautenberg [83]) and $\mathbf{K4}_\omega$ lacks f.m.p. (Kracht [91]).

9 Outlook

We should stress again that the results we have obtained so far generalize to logics with arbitrary many modal operators – even infinitely many. For persistence this is straightforward, but in the case of other properties some care has to be exercised. For example with f.m.p., it is possible to redo our proof using the same construction except that it now has to cycle between all of the modalities. If there are only finitely many of them, this construction stays finite. If there are infinitely many, we build first a model based on only those modalities actually occurring in ϕ and then use a poly-modal analogue of Corollary 2 to obtain a model on the same set of worlds for the other modalities. Another possibility is to show that if M and N are arbitrary m -/ n -modal logics then $M \otimes N$ has a property P iff both M and N have this property. In fact, the second author has recently shown that all the theorems can be generalized in this way with the exception that it cannot be proved that interpolation of $M \otimes N$ implies interpolation for M and N although the converse still holds.

For logics which are not independently axiomatizable the situation is of course more complicated. We did not succeed in showing that for any mono-modal logic L its minimal tense extension $Lt = L \otimes \mathbf{K}(p \rightarrow \square \blacklozenge p, p \rightarrow \blacksquare \blacklozenge p)$ which is an extension of $L \otimes \mathbf{K}$, \mathbf{K} the minimal logic, inherits the completeness properties of L although this is a plausible guess. It does, however, inherit the persistence properties of L since both $\mathbf{K}_{\square \blacksquare}(p \rightarrow \square \blacklozenge p)$ and $\mathbf{K}_{\blacksquare \blacklozenge}(p \rightarrow \blacksquare \blacklozenge p)$ are \mathcal{R} -persistent and so also \mathcal{D} -persistent. On the positive side we have a result in Kracht [90] on the logic $\bigotimes_{i \in n} \mathbf{Alt}_1 \otimes \mathbf{Grz}(\{\square_n p \rightarrow \square_i p \mid i \in n\})$ with $\mathbf{Alt}_1 = \mathbf{K}(\blacklozenge p \wedge \blacklozenge q \rightarrow \blacklozenge(p \wedge q))$ and $\mathbf{Grz} = \mathbf{K4}(\square(\square(p \rightarrow \square p) \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p)$ which can be shown to have f.m.p. by showing that the addition of the axioms $\square_n p \rightarrow \square_i p$ preserves the finite model property of the base logic $\bigotimes_{i \in n} \mathbf{Alt}_1 \otimes \mathbf{Grz}$.

Let us also add that using the techniques of Kracht [90] or Sambin and Vaccaro [89] the following generalization of Sahlqvist's theorem can be proved.

Theorem 17 *Let T be an n -modal formula which is equivalent to a conjunction of formulae of the form $\overline{P}(T_1 \rightarrow T_2)$ where \overline{P} is a prefix of modalities, T_2 is positive and T_1 is obtained from propositional variables and constants in such a way that no positive occurrence of a variable is in a subformula of the form $U_1 \vee U_2$ or $\blacklozenge_i U_1$ within the scope of some \square_j . Then T is effectively equivalent to a first-order formula and $\mathbf{K}(T)$ is \mathcal{D} -persistent.*

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